

Madam:

450 Moselle Street,
Buffalo, N.Y., May 27th, 1943.

Dear Sir:

As you undoubtedly know by now, the writer is Business Manager of the Niagara Falls "Day's" Base Ball Club this season, which club plays home games one or two nights each week at Hyde Park Stadium in Niagara Falls, N.Y., and about once each week at Offermann Stadium, in Buffalo, N.Y., home park of the Buffalo International League Club, when the Buffalo Int. League Club is playing away from home.

This newly organized Niagara Falls "Day's" Club is composed of former professional base ball players who have forsaken pro ball for this season, and who are holding defense jobs in the various defense plants in the Buffalo-Niagara Frontier. All of these players can work at their defense plant jobs every day, and yet play night ball in Buffalo and Niagara Falls two or three times each week.

The complete roster of players on this Niagara Falls "Day's" Club is as follows:

CATCHERS-Johnny Pasek, former Detroit Tigers and Chicago White Sox catcher, who has spent the last six seasons, including 1942, with the St. Paul Club in the American Association. Pasek is the field manager of the "Day's".

The other catcher is Lou Depoe, the best all around catcher in Buffalo and Western New York for the past 15 seasons.

PITCHERS-Sal Maglie, regular starting pitcher of the Jersey City Giants of the International League last year, and who has passed up a chance to be a regular pitcher with the New York Giants in the National League this year by staying at his defense job in Niagara Falls, N.Y.

The second pitcher is George Barley, formerly with the Bushwicks in New York, and who was a regular pitcher with the Buffalo International League Club last year. Barley is also with the Buffalo Int. League Club again this season, but only for their home games here in Buffalo, which does not interfere with his duties at the Bell Aircraft plant in Niagara Falls, N.Y. Barley is pitching for the "Day's" when the Buffalo Int. League Club is on the road.

The third pitcher on the "Day's" staff is Freddie Webber, veteran, a Niagara Falls pitcher who starred for the Niagara Falls "Rainbows" in the Pony League.

The fourth pitcher on the "Day's" staff is Joe Holtz, another former pitcher of the Niagara Falls "Rainbows" of the Pony League.

The fifth pitcher on the "Day's" staff is Eddie Majkowski, who starred in the New York-Penna. League for several seasons.

FIRST BASE-"Connie" Wojtkowiak, who was with Pittsfield in the Can-Am. League two years ago, and was then bought by the New York Yankees and farmed out to the Binghamton Triplets of the Eastern League.

SECOND BASE-Vince Sherlock, regular second baseman of the Montreal

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International League team in 1942. Sherlock is now a policeman in the Buffalo Police Dept., but can play with our club two or three nights each week.

JOE SZUR, SECOND BASE-former Canisius College star all-around athlete, who, while stationed at Fort Niagara here in the United States Army, can also play with our club in Niagara Falls, N.Y., and in Buffalo, N.Y.

DAN CARNEVALE, shortstop-former Buffalo Int. League shortstop, who played with Scranton in the Eastern League last season, and was sold to Louisville of the American Assn., at the end of last season.

THIRD BASE-"Sibby" Sisti, regular 3rd baseman of the Boston Braves in the National League for the past two seasons, who is a native Buffalonian. Sisti is now in the Coast Guard Service, stationed here in Buffalo.

THIRD BASE-Lyn Lary, former major league shortstop, who was a Coach and utility player with the Buffalo Int. League Club last season. Lary will also be used principally as a Coach by the Niagara Falls "Day's". He is working at the Bell Aircraft plant in Niagara Falls, N.Y.

THIRD BASE-Mike Youra, still rated as the best semi-pro 3rd baseman in Buffalo and vicinity.

LEFT FIELD-Clarence "Soddy" Groat, who starred in the Florida State League for several seasons, and had a try out with the Montreal Int. League Club this season, but was called in by his draft board from the Bear Mountain training camp of the Montreal Royals, and inducted into the Army. He is stationed at Fort Niagara also, and can play with our club in Buffalo, Niagara Falls, and surrounding territory.

CENTER FIELD-Syl. Mikulec, former star outfielder with Leesburg, Fla., and Jacksonville, Fla.

RIGHT FIELD-Charlie Lamendola, who led the Pony League in batting when with the champion Olean Oilers three years ago, and who was with Allentown, Pa., the past two seasons.

The Niagara Falls "Day's" are in position to play your club in Buffalo and Niagara Falls, and also at your home park, if you desire to have us.

We just had the Homestead Grays booked at Offermann Stadium in Buffalo on Tuesday night of this week, May 25th; and at Hyde Park Stadium in Niagara Falls, N.Y., on Wed. night, May 26th, 1943; but, unfortunately, we were rained out on both nights. We are bringing them back here again for future dates, however.

The following is a list of open dates at Offermann Stadium in Buffalo, upon which we can play your club in Buffalo, viz: from Sunday, June 6th, 1943, to and including Sunday, June 20th, 1943. We are in position to play your club a three or four game series on consecutive nights, in this manner, viz: one game at Offermann Stadium in Buffalo on your first night in this territory, then the next night at Hyde Park Stadium in Niag. Falls; then a third game in Offermann Stadium in Buffalo again; and, if you desire, a fourth game can also be played on the next night in Niag. Falls, N.Y.

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If, on the other hand, you would care to play only two games in this territory with our club, we can arrange to play your club one night in Buffalo between June 6th and 20th, 1943, and the following night at Hyde Park Stadium in Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Our club is fully equipped with brand new uniforms and jackets, and make a very neat appearing outfit on the field, besides showing plenty of base ball ability, professional background, etc.

Kindly read the contents of this letter very carefully; and, if you feel that you are interested enough to do some business with us, please let me hear from you at the earliest possible time.

Also please acknowledge the receipt of this letter, enclosed newspaper clippings, etc., and greatly oblige,

Very Truly Yours,

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450 Moselle Street, Buffalo, N.Y.
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P.S. If your club and another colored club can come here on any one of the three Sundays, viz: June 6th, 13th, or 20th, 1943, I can book such two clubs against each other for a double header on a Sunday afternoon in Offermann Stadium in Buffalo, and also one of those two clubs against the Niagara Falls "Day's" on that same Sunday night. If additional games are desired on the Saturday before and Monday after, games can also be arranged on those dates, at Hyde Park Stadium in Niagara Falls, N.Y., and Offermann Stadium in Buffalo, N.Y.

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